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c/o B W Belden

156th St West of Broadway

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BILLS DUE WHEN RENDERED			PURCHASES	
	July	June bill rendered		
2	10	1 Order of Washington & 1 Order	1.1	
		of Yellow Rose Insignia	12.00	
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RECEIVED PAYMENT,
THE BAILEY BANKS & BIDDLE COMPANY.
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c/o Bauman L. Belden

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N.Y.C.

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THE BAILEY, BANKS AND BIDDLE COMPANY,

ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT OF

REMITTANCE

FOR WHICH PLEASE ACCEPT THANKS

October 7th, 1911.

Mr. Jennings Hood,

The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.,

1218-22 Chestnut Street,

Philadelphia.

My dear Mr. Hood:-

I enclose herewith a letter just received from Dr. J. G. F. Bulloch of Washington granting me permission to obtain another specimen of the insignia of the Imperial Order of the Yellow Rose. You, no doubt, remember that, with the permission of Dr. Bulloch, you furnished me one of them some little time ago. I would like to have this in silver gilt, the same as the other one.

What has become of our old friend, Capt. Henry Hobart Bellas ? I have not heard anything from him for a very long time.

With kind regards, believe me,

Very truly yours,

Director.

I would be glad to know about how soon you can let me have the insignia

THE BAILEY, BANKS & BIDDLE CO.
PHILADELPHIA

·Department·of·Insignia·

October 9th, 1911.

Mr. Bauman L. Belden, Director,
The American Numismatic Society,
156th St., West of Broadway, N.Y.C.

Dear Sir-

I am in receipt of your valued favor of the 7th instant, also permission from Dr. Bullitt for you to obtain another specimen of the Insignia of the Imperial Order of Yellow Rose, and this will be made in the silver gilt quality as you direct, and forwarded upon completion in about three weeks.

Responding to your inquiry beg to advise our old friend Capt. Henry Hobart Bellas has deceased, having died about five years since.

With kind regards, I am,

Very truly yours,
The Bailey, Banks & Biddle CO.
James Todd
Mgr

MAB.

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·PHILADELPHIA· Oct.31st,1911.

American Numismatic Society
c/o Mr Bauman L Belden
156th St. West of Broadway
N,Y.C.

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RECEIVED PAYMENT,
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BAILEY, BANKS & BIDDLE COMPANY.

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DEPARTMENT OF INSIGNIA
·THE·BAILEY·BANKS·&·BIDDLE·COMPANY·
GOLDSMITHS AND SILVERSMITHS,
PHILADELPHIA.

November 6th, 1911.

Mr. Baldwin L. Belden, Director,

The American Nvmismatic Society,

156th Street, West of Broadway,

New York City, New York.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to your communication of the 1st we beg to advise that the Insignia of the Order of Washington, which we supplied to you in Silver Gilt, was supplied at actual cost. Having the die it was possible to supply this at a minimum expense, but the Insignia of the Imperial Order of the Yellow Rose we are obliged to make by hand, which accounts for the expense.

We are making you a credit of $2.00 and are enclosing a corrected bill to take the place of the one previously sent you, which we ask you to kindly destroy.

Yours very truly,

Bailey, Banks & Biddle CO.

Wood
Mgr

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·1218·20·22·CHESTNUT·STREET·

·PHILADELPHIA· Nov.30th,1911.

American Numismatic Society

156th St West of Broadway

N Y C

c/o Mr Bannan L Belden

BILLS DUE WHEN RENDERED

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BAILEY, BANKS & BIDDLE COMPANY
Gillingham

Please try and get from
Bailey, Banks & Biddle
word about the badges of
Colonial Society of Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania German Society.

Jefferson Davis Monument Association

Name Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.

Address Philadelphia Pa

Sydney P. Noe, Secretary
The American Numismatic Society
156th Street and Broadway, New York, N. Y.

Enclosed find check to your order for $.....

in payment for one silver / bronze medal, to commemorate the visit of the French and British War Commissions, to be sent to me by mail to the above address.

The
Bailey Banks & Biddle
Company
Philadelphia

Department of Insignia

[illegible]

American Numismatic Society,
155th Street & Broadway,
New York City.

[illegible]

Dear Sir:-

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[illegible]

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[illegible]

Yours,

Good Mgr.

The
Bailey Banks & Biddle
Company
Philadelphia

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GEORGE A. MEELL

Department of Insignia

March 16th, 1918

Mr. Sydney P. Noe, Secretary,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway at 156th Street,
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

We enclose a copy of letter recently addressed to Mr. Riley [illegible] on account of his absence from his office.

In view, however, of the fact that our exhibit will be on a [illegible] Philadelphia.

Are there [illegible] obtained from you?

[illegible]

[illegible]

Jennings Hood Mgr.

March 18th, 1918.

Bailey, Banks & Biddle Company,
1218 Chestnut Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Attention of Mr. J. Hoca, Manager.

Dear Sirs:-

Referring to your letter of the 9th I beg to advise that the question of joining the medals you desire will have to be taken up by our Council. The next meeting will probably be held April 9th, and that is of course the date for your exhibition. In view of present rulings however I doubt if they will grant the permission desired, the reason primarily being that it would interfere with the arrangement of our present exhibition of which the decorations form a very important part.

The matter will be submitted to the Council however, and I will advise you as soon as a decision has been reached. In the meantime I am considering if it may not be of service to you to know that one of our members, Mr. Harold T. Gillingham, 422 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, has a private collection of war medals and decorations, and would I believe be glad to see such as you have made of us. In my opinion this association might prove worth following up.

Yours very truly,

Secretary.

March 19th, 1918.

Jennings Hood, Esq.,
Manager of Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 16th and my reply sent yesterday, may I ask that you kindly give me further details regarding your intentions with respect to the exhibition you are planning in order that it may be presented to our Council when they meet. Do I understand that the exhibition will be in Philadelphia one week only - thus making the period for which you would want the loaned pieces between two and three weeks? Will you also kindly tell us about the arrangement for the exhibition in Washington - where it is to be held and under what auspices?

I am afraid that it will be difficult to overcome the national tendency of an organization such as ours to avoid establishing a precedent or admitting that a precedent has been established by a previous loan. Personally the members of the staff feel that we should like to have such a precedent confirmed for objects which are not necessary for our current exhibitions. I will communicate with you further as soon as the decision of the Council is reached. I believe the information requested herein may materially affect their decision.

Yours very truly,

Secretary.

The
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Company
Philadelphia

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Department of Insignia

March
twenty-second
1918

Mr. Sydney P. Noe, Secretary,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway & 155th Street,
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

We have your valued favor of the 19th instant inquiring full particulars regarding the exhibition for which we are planning.

[illegible] Washington at the new Willard Hotel from April 15th to 20th inclusive.

We will display the insignia and the certificates of membership of the various Military and Naval Orders Patriotic and Commemorative Societies for which we are the official jewelers and desire to have the exhibition more complete on account of the very great interest which now exists in this subject.

We desire the loan of the decorations of the Nations at war which you kindly loaned us on two previous instances.

In former years our exhibitions in Washington have been [illegible] hibition.

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[illegible] property.

Very truly yours,

Jennings Hood
Mgr.

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Department of Insignia

April
fifth
1918

Mr. Sydney P. Noe, Secretary,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway and 155th Street,
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

Your recently advised us that the question of loaning medals for our exhibition would be considered at the next meeting of your Society which would probably be held on April 8th.

If it is agreeable to let us have these medals this will be in time as the Exhibit begins on the 15th of April.

In any event may we have the Servian medal loaned to your Association at the request of Mr. Belden.

We are particularly eager to have the Victoria cross and the iron cross. We believe you have duplicates of the latter and hope that one can be spared without inconvenience.

Our application is for the same medals as were loaned to us last year, namely, the decorations of the nations at war.

We will agree to insure these at your valuation and take the same care of them as though they were our own property.

Very truly yours,

[illegible] & Biddle Co.

Jennings Hood
Mgr.

JH/ECM.

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Department of Insignia

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[illegible]

Mr. Sydney P. Noe, Secretary
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway at 155th Street,
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

The writer purchased a specimen of the medal struck [illegible] commemorating the [illegible] of the United States [illegible] medal.

We would inquire if you have an adequate supply of these medals [illegible] or interested parties.

[illegible] a medal from which the medal was struck, we have [illegible] valuable [illegible] which is for the benefit [illegible] we believe that we [illegible] of some of these for you.

[illegible] your reply to our [illegible] have been already commercially [illegible] the medal. In addition we would be glad to have a [illegible] of these medals.

Awaiting your kind response, we remain

Very truly yours,

[illegible] Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.

[illegible]

April 8th, 1918.

The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Attention of Mr. Jennings Hood.

Dear Sir:-

I have your letter of the 6th, and regret to advise that the medal commemorating the entrance of the United States into the world war was issued to only such of our members who subscribed to it before September 29th. We struck only the number subscribed for, and declined all orders received after that date with the exception of those coming from abroad which did not reach us in time. In consequence this is one of the rarest of the Society's medals. I very much doubt that the Society can consider reproducing it in another form, and I wish to express our appreciation of your offer, and of the spirit of co-operation which is behind it.

I know of no medal to commemorate the advance in aviation, but the suggestion is a very good one. Have you, or has your Company, any thought of developing it further? It is possible that our Society might consider this as a subject for one of its future medals, though just at the present time we are in the midst of a campaign for new members, and I doubt that anything can be done for a month or so.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary.

April 9th, 1918.

Mr. Jennings Hood, Manager,
The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

Dr. Newell, our President, informs me that after the meeting of the Council of this Society held yesterday, he telephoned you that they regretted that it seemed inadvisable at the present time to remove from our exhibition pieces so important because of the interest of our visitors in them. May I add a word of my own personal regret that the decision has been adverse.

Very respectfully yours,

Secretary.

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Philadelphia

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Department of Insignia

May
ninth
1918

American Numismatic Society,
155th & Broadway,
New York City.

Attention Mr. Howland Wood

Dear Sir:-

Please advise me if I could obtain an additional medal commemorating the visit of the French and British commissions to the United States; also one of the medals of M. Ernest Babelon known as "De Trees" competition medal."

Thanking you for your courtesy in this matter, I remain

Very truly yours,

JH/ECH.

May 10th, 1918.

Mr. Jennings Hood,
c/o The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Hood:-

I have your letter of the 9th. Your previous order of the medal to commemorate the visit of the British and French War Commissions is for a copy in bronze, therefore by an "additional medal" do you mean that you want another copy in bronze? I should be very glad to secure this for you if you will confirm this. Do you also want a Rabelon medal in bronze?

Yours very truly,

Secretary.

The
Bailey Banks & Biddle
Company
Philadelphia

Department of Insignia

May 11th, 1918.

Mr. Sydney P. Noe,
Sec'y. American Numismatic Society
Broadway, between 155th and 156th Street
New York City, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Noe:-

Your favor of the 10th instant is received and I beg to advise you that we will be pleased to have you forward us two bronze Medals struck to commemorate the visits of the British and French War Commissions, also two of the Babelon Medals, all in bronze.

The purpose of have two medals is so that we can exhibit at the same time both the obverse and the reverse.

We have a special display in progress at the present time and will greatly appreciate your sending these medals at the earliest date practicable. Immediately upon receipt of the bill, payment will be made.

Thanking you for your interest in this matter, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Jennings Hood

(L.C.)(J.H.)

May 13th, 1918.

Mr. Jennings Hood,
The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Hood:-

I have your letter of the 11th. Thank you very much. We are sending under separate cover, and in three packages, these medals. The bronze Fabelon medals are in one package, and the others being sent separately, one direct from the Medallic Art Company. I trust they will reach you in good time.

Yours very truly,

Secretary.

RECEIPT FOR INSURED MAIL.

No. 44842

This receipt represents a parcel insured, and must be presented in the event of application for indemnity which must be made within six months from date of mailing. The sender should write the name and address of the addressee on the back hereof.

Fee paid ..... cts.
(Postmark.)

Was inquiry made as to contents and packing? .....

POSTMASTER, by .....

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Was inquiry made as to contents and packing? .....

POSTMASTER, by .....

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June 4th, 1918.

Mr. Jennings Hood,
c/o Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Hood:-

Mr. Hopkins told me this morning of his visit with you yesterday, and I have great pleasure in confirming his statement. Our Council yesterday ratified the plan which he described for you. It is very pleasant to feel that you are interested in it, and that we may count upon your co-operation. We shall probably communicate with you further at some length in a few days as soon as details can be outlined.

Yours very respectfully,

Secretary.

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Department of Insignia

June
eleventh
1918

Mr. Sydney P. Noe, Secretary,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway & 155th Streets,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Noe:-

Your recent communication is received and I am pleased to learn that the council have ratified the plan of having an exhibition of Military Insignia.

Mr. Hopkins has requested me to furnish one each of the Military insignia furnished for uniform equipment.

Very truly yours,

Jennings Hood

JH/ECH.

June 17th, 1918.

Mr. Jennings Hood,
c/o Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Hood:-

I am enclosing herewith an order from the Navy Department for a copy of the Medical Service Badge. I presume you have also received a communication from them although perhaps that is unnecessary. We should be glad to have this badge together with your bill for it at your earliest convenience.

Yours very truly,

Secretary.

The
Bailey Banks & Biddle
Company
Philadelphia

Department of Insignia

June
twentieth
1918

Mr. Sydney P. Noe,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, between 155th & 156th Sts.,
New York.

Dear Sir:-

We are in receipt of your communication of the 17th instant with order for Mexican medal, and would advise that same will be forwarded in about ten days.

Thanking you for the kind order, and assuring you of our careful attention to any further commands, we remain,

Very truly yours,

The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.

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Department of Insignia

June
twenty-sixth
1918

Mr. Sidney P. Noe, Secretary,
American Numismatic Society,
155th & Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

We forwarded, last week, to Mr. Hopkins at the [illegible] of articles for display in your exhibition.

This, undoubtedly, will soon be transferred to your building and we would be very glad to have your [illegible] which you desire us to loan you which would make your exhibition complete.

We would be very pleased to have this opportunity [illegible] exhibition, we remain

Very truly yours,

The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.

Hood mgr

JH/ECH.

June
twenty-seventh
1913

Mr. [illegible] Hopkins,
c/o [illegible] Chronicle,
[illegible] Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Hopkins:-

Your esteemed letter of the 26th is received and I am pleased to learn that the parcel containing the articles for exhibit in the Heliotric Society reached you safely though delayed.

With respect to the rosettes, which I note allowed out of the grooves provided for them, please let me know the date you have planned for the exhibition to start and I will plan to come over and put the rosettes in proper arrangement.

The medal of Honor and Distinguished Service Cross will be supplied for the exhibit and I hope to have one of the Distinguished Service medals in time for the exhibition.

I now have a large assortment of the cap and collar badges issued by the overseas battalions of the Canadian Expeditionary Force. Would you like to have these added to the exhibit?

Awaiting your further valued [illegible], I remain

Very truly yours,

[illegible]

June 27th, 1918.

Mr. Jennings Hood,
c/o The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Hood:-

The badges, ribbons and other forms of insignia, which you have so kindly loaned us for our exhibition, arrived yesterday afternoon, and I am sending you this brief informal note to say how very pleased we are at their appearance. I am sure they will add greatly to the attractiveness of our exhibition. I hope it will be possible for you to see it when it is opened.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

Philadelphia, July 1 1918

Am. Numismatic Society
155 Broadway
New York City

We have to-day sent

by the [redacted] Express

to your address as above a

Package

which we trust will reach you safely and in season.

Very truly yours,
THE BAILEY, BANKS & BIDDLE CO.,
1218-20-22 Chestnut Street.

November 6th, 1918.

Bailey, Banks & Biddle Company,
1222 Chestnut Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Gentlemen:-

I am instructed by our Council to express to you, and to Mr. Jennings Hood, our sincere thanks and appreciation for your splendid co-operation and loan of much valuable material, which has so largely contributed to our present exhibition of United States uniform devices.

The public is being greatly benefitted and entertained by this timely collection.

Very sincerely yours,

Assistant Secretary.

The
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Department of Insignia

January
twenty-first
1919

Mr. Sydney P. Noe,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway & 156th Street,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Noe:-

Your valued favor of the 17th is received and would advise that the cost of furnishing medals fitted with ribbon invisible bar pin, numbered and boxed will be from 60¢ upward.

It is our practice to treat the cost of the dies as a separate consideration.

If we may have the opportunity of seeing the model or photograph of it we would be glad to give a definite quotation. The composition of design and the relative relief work enters into the factor of cost.

Thanking you for your favor, I remain

Very cordially yours,

Jennings Hood

JH/ECH.

February 20th, 1919.

Bailey, Banks & Biddle Company,
1222 Chestnut Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Attention of Mr. Jennings Hood.

Dear Mr. Hood:-

Kindly advise me if you expect to be at your Philadelphia office on Monday and Tuesday of next week, February 24th and 25th. I should like to call upon you in order to go into the matter of marketing the "Peace Medal" which is to be issued by our Society.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

February 27th, 1919.

Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.,
1222 Chestnut Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Attention of Mr. Jennings Hood.

Dear Mr. Hood:-

I enclose herewith a reproduction of the design for the Peace Medal to be issued by our Society. You will recall my telling you that this was made by Mr. Chester Beach. Unfortunately it was taken from the plaster model, (which accounts for its unsatisfactoryness from the point of view of shadows), and the design is to receive some changes at his hands. In consequence the result you see is far from being the final one.

As I think I explained to you, this whole matter must come before our Council for decision next Monday. My visit was for the purpose of getting the facts in hand as well as to measure the possibilities of the situation.

Assuming that we should furnish circular-material, send you an adequate number of medals for display to cover your field, that is Philadelphia and its vicinity, arrange for the initial newspaper publicity and plan an order form whereby the mailing of the medals could be handled from here rather than laying this burden upon your force, do you think that your people would be willing to undertake the matter on a basis lower than the thirty per cent one which you suggested as the least they would contemplate? You will see that such a scheme as I have outlined does greatly relieve your firm of doing much more than enclosing the circulars to your mailing list, giving them window display, and selling them over the counter. You will remember that I tried to make plain that I came to you as a representative firm, and that I was asking you to give me the benefit of your response as indicative of that which we might expect from other similar houses. Consequently in replying to my queries above I trust you will feel that there is no wish to pin you down to a definite agreement although there is every desire to secure the frankest kind of a reply in order

that our judgment may not rest upon false premises.

And will you not always make a note that for our own information in an abstract way we should be much interested to learn the results of your offer to sell the Lepsemanis seeds which you stated you were importing? I believe that there is a very healthy market for seeds and that it has been neglected hitherto. I trust your experience in this case will bear out my opinion.

In closing permit me to express again my warm appreciation of your hospitality while in Philadelphia. I consider my visit a memorable one for many reason, but I did very greatly enjoy the privilege of observing methods and processes under your kind guidance.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

Philadelphia, March 5, *191*

M American Numismatic Society

Broadway at 156th St.,

New York City.

We have to-day sent

by the American Railway *Express*

to your address as above a

box----of Military equipment.

which we trust will reach you safely and in season.

Very truly yours,

THE BAILEY, BANKS & BIDDLE CO.,

1218-20-22 Chestnut Street.

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Department of Insignia

March
eighth
1919

Mr. Sydney P. Noe,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway between 155th & 156th Sts.,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Noe:-

Your valued favor of February 27th is received and would advise that we are expecting to receive within a week the Pershing medals by Legastelois.

We desire to note the results by experimenting in offering these to the public before making decision on any terms we would be interested to handle the peace medals which you propose issuing.

You expressed an interest in being advised as to the results of our efforts in this connection and we will take pleasure in furnishing you this information.

Very truly yours,

The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.

Hood

JH/ECH.

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Philadelphia

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Department of Insignia

March
twenty-fifth
1919

Mr. Sydney P. Noe,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway & 156th Street,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Noe:-

Will you kindly furnish me with the names of the sculptors who submitted models of peace medals?

I would be interested to know if any of the designs which they submitted would be suitable for War memorial medals or whether they could be readily refashioned to meet this requirement.

Appreciating your courtesy in this matter, I remain

Very truly yours,

Jennings Hood

JH/EGH.

March 27th, 1919.

Bailey, Banks & Biddle Company,
1218 Chestnut Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Attention of Mr. Jennings Hood.

Dear Mr. Hood:-

Your letter of the 25th is at hand asking for the names of the sculptors who submitted models for our Peace Medal Competition. I think we could best accomplish what you desire if you or your representative could come, and let us show the photographs of the models which were submitted. If any proved suitable we could then refer you to the artist involved, but inasmuch as some of the sculptors stated that they did not desire it known that they had entered the competition I am a little hesitant about sending you a list of their names. I trust this suggestion will meet with your convenience - I think it would be much more fruitful for you than to "go it blind" through the entire list.

Yours very truly,

Secretary.

May 3, 1919

Messrs. Dailey, Davis & Biddle Company
Philadelphia
Pennsylvania

[illegible] MR. HOOD

Dear Mr. Hood:

I have seen your folder of the Pershing Medal, and I have also seen the Medal itself in the possession of one of our members. You will recall that you were going to let us know how the subscription came on. I am rather interested to learn what success you have had.

Have you people taken any action out upon our Peace Medal proposition? We are having folders printed, and they may take a notion to sign the Treaty any day, although it now looks as though it would be well into May before that occurred.

Very truly yours,

The
Bailey Banks & Biddle
Company
Philadelphia

Department of Insignia

May
twenty-third
1919.

Mr. Sidney P. Noe,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway between 155th & 156thSt.,
New York.

Dear Sir:-

Confirming conversation will you please furnish me with a pamphlet giving description of the Peace Medal also plaster cast for window Exhibition.

Very truly yours,

The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.

Hood
Mgr.

JH/AMM.

The
Bailey Banks & Biddle
Company
Philadelphia

Department of Insignia

June
nineteenth
1919.

Mr. Sidney P. Noe,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway between 115th & 156th Sts.,
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

We have your recent communication also parcel containing 20 copies of the Peace medal in bronze.

Since it is uncertain when one of our Company will be in New York, we will appreciate your forwarding a plaster model, charges prepaid.

We will report the sales to you, as indicated.

Very truly yours,

The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.

Hood.

JH/AMM.

July 16, 1917.

The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.,
Philadelphia, Pa.,
Attention, Mr. Jennings Hood.

Dear Mr. Hood:-

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Very respectfully yours,

[illegible].

The
Bailey Banks & Biddle
Company
Philadelphia

Department of Insignia

July
seventeenth
1919.

Mr. Sydney Noe,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway bet. 155th & 156th Sts.,
New York.

Dear Mr. Noe:-

Your communication of the 14th has been received and would advise that we have to date sold six of the Peace Medals.

We are still continuing the exhibit and are disappointed that it has not resulted in more sales.

We are preparing a brochure illustrating some medals and will show the Peace medal with it and hope in this manner, to create more demands for the medal.

Very truly yours,

Hood, Mgr

JH/AMM.

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August 9, 1919.

The Dailey, Parke & Fiske Co.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Meell:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 5th, and of the five (5) samples which have evidently been sent here instead of being sent as stated in your letter, to the address given you. This information is merely to confirm our records.

Very respectfully yours,

Secretary.

October 6th, 1919.

Mr. Jennings Hood,
c/o Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.,
1228 Chestnut Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Hood:-

I shall be glad to have from you some word regarding the sale of the Peace Medal through your agency. Did you succeed in getting out the little booklet you told me about - if so, I should like to have a copy if you can send me one. Will you tell me please the number of medals you have still on hand.

Very respectfully yours,

Secretary.

The
Bailey Banks & Biddle
Company
Philadelphia

Department of Insignia

October
eleventh
1919.

Mr. Sydney P. Noe,
American Numismatic Society,
New York.

Dear Mr. Noe;-

Your esteemed favor of the 6th is received and would advise that we have three of the Peace medals on hand. These however, we will purchase, upon receipt of bill for the amount due, remittance will be forwarded.

Copy of the brochure illustrating commemorative medals is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.

JH.AMM.

Commemorative Medals

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The Supreme Sacrifice

DO we as a nation, a community and individually, fully appreciate the heroic bravery, the noble unselfishness, the suffering and giving up of all that is precious—such as was freely and gladly and bravely offered by our fathers, sons and brothers for our protection and happiness that civilization should not perish from the earth?

What can we give in return for so much that was so generously given? There is one thing that we should not do, and that is to allow time to dim in the slightest our remembrances. It is true of those who have lost a loved one in the war that time will not heal their wounds, but to those of us who were more fortunate and whose dear ones have returned or are about to return, let us not forget those who will never return—whose bodies lie upon the battlefields, far from home, "over there."

May we not consider it our duty that we should avail ourselves of every opportunity to place a mark of appreciation where it is justly due, in the form of a memorial or commemorative medal, so that in future ages the noble deeds of our army, our regiments, and the individual will not be forgotten.

Efforts have been made to prevent inartistic War Memorials by the National Committee of Fine Arts and the American Federation of Arts. In recognition of this purpose, this House is co-operating with the leading sculptors of the country, offering to the Commonwealths and Municipalities a series of designs, each of which offers an original conception by the sculptor whose name appears below each illustration. To properly execute these medals requires experience and time. Steel dies are engraved on a reducing machine, thus preserving the freshness of the design executed by the sculptor.

Space has been left blank on the medals for the insertion of proper inscription.

Where the award is to the officers and soldiers in the United States service, it is appropriate to have the medal pendant by a suitable ribbon from a concealed pin Where the award is from a City it may take the form of a placque or War medal.

Placques, replica of sculptor's model in enlarged size, may be placed in the State Capitol or in the Municipal Building, to serve as an interesting wall decoration.

Commissions to design and furnish appropriate medals will receive most careful attention.

The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Company
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Medal, illustrated above, commemorating the signing of Treaty of Peace.
Size as Illustrated. Price in bronze $10.00 each. Immediate delivery.

October 15th, 1919.

Mr. Jerome Dyer,
c/o Talbot, Burke & Tassie Co.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Dyer:-

Thank you for your letter and the folder which accompanied it.

Complying with your instructions I have prepared a contract to cover the employment of Samuels and you.

Please accept our personal thanks for your share in the success of the Power Model.

Very respectfully yours,

Secretary.

The
Bailey Banks & Biddle
Company
Philadelphia

Department of Insignia

November
twentieth
1919.

Mr. Sidney P. Noe,
American Numismatic Society,
New York, New York.

Dear Mr. Noe;-

I am in receipt of your circular illustrating a medal commemorating the visit of His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, to the United States.

Will you extend the same courtesy of discount on these medals, so they may be offered for resale? If so, will be pleased to make outright purchase of six of the bronze medals, and anticipate placing additional orders before first of the year.

Very truly yours,

Henry Hood

JH.AMM.

Nov. 21, 1919.

The Bailey, Banks and Biddle Co.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Hood:-

In response to your letter of November 20th, I am sorry that the subscription for the Prince of Wales medal is limited to members, and that I am not permitted to offer you the discount which you arranged for the Peace medal. The reason for doing this is of course, that we may make the receiving of our medals some inducement to becoming a member of the Society. There is, you will understand, no limit to the number of medals you may order, but we can hardly expect you to do this without any return. Regretting that I am not able to send you a more favorable reply, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

Secretary.

September 9th, 1921.

Mr. Jennings Hood,
The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Company,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Hood:-

On my arrival from Europe Mr. Wood turned over your letter of July 22nd regarding the Peace Medal proposition.

In the meantime he had written for and got back four medals which were out on consignment. Three of these I am sending you under separate cover, the other one is being refinished and will be sent you shortly.

As Mr. Wood wrote you in his letter of July 20th, should we receive a sufficient number of orders we can strike up more copies. These we can let you have at the same terms - 25% discount or $3.75 per copy. Do you want more copies at the present time ?

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

The
Bailey, Banks & Biddle
Company
Philadelphia

September
fifteenth
1921

Mr. Sydney P. Noe, Secretary,
American Numismatic Society,
Brd Between 155th & 156th Sts.,
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

Your valuedletter of Sept. 9th is received, also parcel, containing the three Peace medals.

We note that you have an additional one available and will forward it to us, when it has been re-finished.

We are therefore, enclosing remittance, covering three received also the one medal you will forward when ready. This will suffice for our present need.

Very truly yours,

The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.

James Wood

JH/LMR

September 16th, 1921.

Check for $15.00 received from
Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.
to cover 4 Peace Medals sent them
@ $3.75 each.

#79 Are they #246 #249 #250 ?

Do you remember the other 3 numbers? These marked "In safe A.N.S."

Yes they were for the prisoners

September 16th, 192

Mr. Jennings Hood,
The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Hood:-

Thank you for your letter of September 15th enclosing cheque for fifteen dollars covering the four, bronze Peace Medals. We hope by this time you have received the copy which had to be refinished. It is being sent you direct from the Medallic Art Company.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Company
Jewelers, Silversmiths, Stationers
Philadelphia

February
twenty-first
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American Numismatic Society
New York City, N. Y.

Attention of the Secretary

Dear Sir:-

Some years ago you issued a Lincoln medal, one of Lincoln seated, done by Roine. This medal is about two and one half inches by four inches. We have one of these medals in our collection, and one of our customers inquired if a duplicate could be purchased. Do you have any of these medals on hand, and if so, what is the cost of same?

We would appreciate a copy of your recent catalogue as we are receiving calls from time to time for medals, and we would be glad to refer them to you, where we know you would have the medals.

Thanking you for a favorable reply, we beg to remain

Very truly yours,

The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co.

Charles T. Jones, Jr.

GAM:RDH

28th Feb., 1928

The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Company,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Gentlemen:

Under separate cover I take pleasure in sending you a copy of our Historical Sketch, which is the nearest approach to a catalogue of our medals which we have.

We can supply the Lincoln medals for which you ask, in silver or bronze and shall be very glad to have an order for either of them.

Appreciating your coöperation, I am

Very cordially yours,

Secretary